An Extract of the Journal of the Society *at* Dublin; *giving an account of a* Periodicall Evacuation *of* Blood *at the end of one of the* Fingers.

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A Letter was read from Mr. *Aſh*, in anſwer to a *Query* ſent down by the *Society* to him concerning a man who had a conſtant and periodical, *Evacuation* of *Blood* at the end of his fore-Finger; from which Letter the following return is abſtracted.

Walter Walſh, an Inn-keeper in *Trym*, born in *Ireland*, of a temperate Diet, Sanguin Complexion, and pleaſant Humor, in the 43d year of his Age, anno 1658, about Eaſter, was ſeiz'd with a great pain over all his right Arm; a great heat, and redneſs in his right hand; and a pricking in the point of the fore-Finger; whereon there appear'd a ſmall ſpeck, as if a little Thorn had run in; and ſuppoſing it ſuch he opend it, whereupon the *Blood* ſpun out in a Violent but ſmall ſtream; after it had ſpent its Violence, it would ceaſe for a while and only drop, and then ſpring out with Violence again, continuing thus for 24 hours, till at laſt he fainted away, and then the *Blood* ſtancht of it ſelf, and his pains left him: from that time during his whole life, (which continued 12 years,) he was frequently troubled with like *Fits*; ſeldom having a reſpit of 2 months, and they never returned oftener then in 3 weeks: he rarely *Bled* leſs then a Pottle at a time; the oftener the *Fit* camẽ the leſs he *Bled*; and the more rarely it aſſaulted him, he *Bled* the more; whenever they endeavor'd to ſtanch the *Blood*, it raiſed moſt exquiſite tortures in his Arm; no remedys

that were ever uſed proved in the leaſt effectuall: he had no other diſtemper that troubled him; neither ſeaſon, nor weather wrought upon him: he had no outward accident that at firſt brought the *Bleeding*: Drinking more then ordinary made him more apt to *Bleed:* he had no Child after his firſt ſeiſure: theſe frequent *Fits* brought him at laſt very low, inſomuch that towards his latter end he *Bled* but little, and that too but like diluted water. He dyed of this Diſtemper on the 13th of Feb. $16\frac{69}{70}$.

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